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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge comprising:
- a) a reaction chamber comprising:
- i) a substrate comprising an array of electrodes, each comprising:
- A) a self-assembled monolayer; and
- B) a capture binding ligand;
- II) an inlet port for the introduction of reagents; and
- b) interconnects to allow the electrical connection of said electrodes to a processor.
- 2. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein said capture binding ligands are capture probes.
- 3. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein said reaction chamber further comprises a gasket to retain fluid in contact with said array.
- 4. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 further comprising a seal on said inlet port.
- 5. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein said reaction chamber further comprises an outlet port.
- 6. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein said reaction chamber is configured to minimize the introduction or retention of air bubbles upon introduction of a sample.
- 7. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein said array is on one surface of said substrate.
- 8. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 wherein two surfaces of said substrate each comprise an array.
- 9. (Withdrawn) A biochip cartridge according to claim 1 further comprising a cap comprising at least one storage well comprising assay reagents.

Claims 10-23. (Cancelled)

24. (New) A method of analyzing a plurality of biochips comprising

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a) inserting a first biochip into a first station of an analysis device;

- b) inserting a second biochip into a second station of the analysis device, wherein each of said first and second biochips comprise a substrate comprising an array comprising a plurality of test sites, each test site comprising:
 - i) a different capture binding ligand;
 - ii) a different target analyte; and
 - iii) a label;
 - c) detecting the presence of said label on said first biochip; and
 - d) detecting the presence of said label on said second biochip.
- 25. (New) A method according to claim 24, further comprising moving a detector between said first station and said second station.
- 26. (New) A method according to claim 24, further comprising moving the first station to a detector and moving the second station to a detector.
- 27. (New) A method according to claim 24, wherein the act of detecting the presence of said label on said first biochip comprises utilizing a first detector associated with said first station, and wherein the act of detecting the presence of said label on said second biochip comprises utilizing a second detector associated with said second station.
- 28. (New) A method according to claim 27, wherein at least one of said first and second detectors comprises a fluorescence detector.
- 29. (New) A method according to claim 27, wherein at least one of said first and second detectors comprises an electronic detector.
- 30. (New) A method according to claim 24, wherein said capture binding ligands are nucleic acid capture probes, said target analytes are target nucleic acid sequences, and said assay complexes are hybridization complexes.
- 31. (New) A method according to claim 30, wherein said hybridization complexes comprise said capture probes hybridized to said target sequences, respectively.
- 32. (New) A method according to claim 30, wherein said labels are covalently attached to said target sequences.

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33. (New) A method according to claim 24 or 30, wherein said labels are hybridization indicators.

- 34. (New) A method according to claim 33, wherein said hybridization indicators are intercalators.
- 35. (New) A method according to claim 30, wherein said target sequences each comprise a first domain and a second domain, said hybridization complexes each comprise:
 - a) said capture probes hybridized to said first domains of said target sequences; and
 - b) label probes hybridized to said second domains of said target sequences.
- 36. (New) A method according to claim 35 wherein said label probes each comprise at least one covalently attached label.
 - 37. (New) A method according to claim 24, 30 or 36 wherein said labels are fluorescent labels.
- 38. (New) A method according to claim 24, 30 or 36 wherein said labels are electron transfer moieties (ETMs).
 - 39. (New) A method according to claim 38 wherein said ETMs are transition metal complexes.
- 40. (New) A method according to claim 39 wherein said transition metal complexes are metallocenes.
 - 41. (New) A method according to claim 24, further comprising:
 - a) receiving detection information from said first biochip at a processor; and
 - b) receiving detection information from said second biochip at the processor.
- 42. (New) A method according to claim 41, wherein the act of detecting the presence of said label on said first and second biochips comprises analyzing said received detection information.